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SUBJECT: Current Intelligence Briefing on Africa for  
Representative Edward J. Derwinski (R., Ill.)  
and Colleagues

25X1 1. [ ] On 23 May, [ ], NFAC/CSS, briefed  
25X1 Representative Edward J. Derwinski (R., Ill.) and six  
colleagues on trouble spots in Africa. The members who  
attended all or a portion of the briefing were Representatives  
John H. Cunningham (R., Wash.), Philip M. Crane (R., Ill.),  
Robert E. Bauman (R., Md.), Robert K. Dornan (R., Calif.),  
Lawrence P. McDonald (D., Ga.), and Tom J. Corcoran (R., Ill.).  
Thomas R. Smeeton, Minority Staff Consultant, House International  
Relations Committee, arranged the briefing and attended.

25X1 2. [ ] [ ] covered the current situation and  
25X1 prospects in Ethiopia and Angola, and also touched on Zaire,  
Rhodesia, Zambia and Chad. She responded to questions from  
the members and replied to doctrinaire monologues by Represen-  
tatives Dornan and McDonald that our job was not policy but  
information. The members obviously appreciated her knowledge  
of the area as evidenced by the fact that the briefing which  
began at 4:30 p.m. lasted about an hour and a half. Representa-  
tive Derwinski was called to the floor for a vote as the meeting  
began and did not return.

25X1 3. [ ] There were no follow-up items from the briefing.  
Several of the members did request atlases and NIS factbooks,  
which OLC provided.

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